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DERIVED FROM GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA (AS

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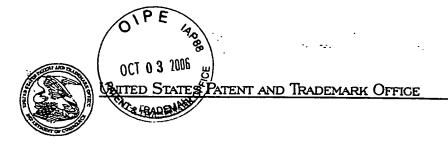
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Foreign Applications

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, kindly amend the application as follows.



AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the title as follows:

PROCESS FORMETHODS OF PRODUCING A VIRUSVIRAL VECTOR

CONTAINING COMPRISING A MEMBRANE PROTEIN HAVINGTHAT BINDS TO

SIALIC ACID-BINDING ACTIVITY-INAS A COMPONENT OF THE ENVELOPE

WITH THE USE OF GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIUM-ORIGINUSING

NEURAMINIDASE DERIVED FROM GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA

Insert the following paragraph at page 1, after the title:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is the U.S. national stage application of International Application Number PCT/JP2003/011299, filed September 4, 2003, which, in turn, claims the benefit of Japanese Application Serial Number 2002-258576, filed September 4, 2002.

Replace the Sequence Listing found in the English translation of PCT/JP2003/011299 with the enclosed paper copy of the Sequence Listing provided with the concurrently filed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 – 1.825.



REMARKS

The specification has been amended to cross-reference related applications, the title has been amended to correspond to that of the English language translation of the present application, and a replacement Sequence Listing updating the header in fields 110-170 has been submitted. No new matter has been added by the present amendments.

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